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- Servicer's systems to record account information shall be 9. periodically independently reviewed for accuracy and completeness by an independent reviewer.
- As indicated in paragraph I.A.18, Servicer shall send the borrower 10. an itemized plain language account summary setting forth each of the following items, to the extent applicable:
  - The total amount needed to reinstate or bring the account a. current, and the amount of the principal obligation under the mortgage;
  - The date through which the borrower's obligation is paid; b.
  - The date of the last full payment; c.
  - The current interest rate in effect for the loan (if the rate is d. effective for at least 30 days);
  - The date on which the interest rate may next reset or adjust e. (unless the rate changes more frequently than once every 30 days);
  - The amount of any prepayment fee to be charged, if any; f.
  - A description of any late payment fees; g.
  - A telephone number or electronic mail address that may be h. used by the obligor to obtain information regarding the mortgage; and
  - The names, addresses, telephone numbers, and Internet i. addresses of one or more counseling agencies or programs approved by HUD (http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/hcs.cfm).
- In active chapter 13 cases, Servicer shall ensure that: 11.
  - prompt and proper application of payments is made on a. account of (a) pre-petition arrearage amounts and (b) postpetition payment amounts and posting thereof as of the successful consummation of the effective confirmed plan;
  - the debtor is treated as being current so long as the debtor is b. making payments in accordance with the terms of the theneffective confirmed plan and any later effective payment change notices; and
  - as of the date of dismissal of a debtor's bankruptcy case, c. entry of an order granting Servicer relief from the stay, or entry of an order granting the debtor a discharge, there is a reconciliation of payments received with respect to the

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debtor's obligations during the case and appropriately update the Servicer's systems of record. In connection with such reconciliation, Servicer shall reflect the waiver of any fee, expense or charge pursuant to paragraphs III.B.1.c.i or III.B.1.d.

- C. Documentation of Note, Holder Status and Chain of Assignment.
  - 1. Servicer shall implement processes to ensure that Servicer or the foreclosing entity has a documented enforceable interest in the promissory note and mortgage (or deed of trust) under applicable state law, or is otherwise a proper party to the foreclosure action.
  - 2. Servicer shall include a statement in a pleading, affidavit of indebtedness or similar affidavits in court foreclosure proceedings setting forth the basis for asserting that the foreclosing party has the right to foreclose.
  - 3. Servicer shall set forth the information establishing the party's right to foreclose as set forth in I.C.2 in a communication to be sent to the borrower as indicated in I.A.18.
  - If the original note is lost or otherwise unavailable, Servicer shall 4. comply with applicable law in an attempt to establish ownership of the note and the right to enforcement. Servicer shall ensure good faith efforts to obtain or locate a note lost while in the possession of Servicer or Servicer's agent and shall ensure that Servicer and Servicer's agents who are expected to have possession of notes or assignments of mortgage on behalf of Servicer adopt procedures that are designed to provide assurance that the Servicer or Servicer's agent would locate a note or assignment of mortgage if it is in the possession or control of the Servicer or Servicer's agent, as the case may be. In the event that Servicer prepares or causes to be prepared a lost note or lost assignment affidavit with respect to an original note or assignment lost while in Servicer's control, Servicer shall use good faith efforts to obtain or locate the note or assignment in accordance with its procedures. In the affidavit, sworn statement or other filing documenting the lost note or assignment, Servicer shall recite that Servicer has made a good faith effort in accordance with its procedures for locating the lost note or assignment.
  - 5. Servicer shall not intentionally destroy or dispose of original notes that are still in force.
  - 6. Servicer shall ensure that mortgage assignments executed by or on behalf of Servicer are executed with appropriate legal authority, accurately reflective of the completed transaction and properly acknowledged.

## D. Bankruptcy Documents.

- 1. **Proofs of Claim ("POC").** Servicer shall ensure that POCs filed on behalf of Servicer are documented in accordance with the United States Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and any applicable local rule or order ("bankruptcy law"). Unless not permitted by statute or rule, Servicer shall ensure that each POC is documented by attaching:
  - a. The original or a duplicate of the note, including all indorsements; a copy of any mortgage or deed of trust securing the notes (including, if applicable, evidence of recordation in the applicable land records); and copies of any assignments of mortgage or deed of trust required to demonstrate the right to foreclose on the borrower's note under applicable state law (collectively, "Loan Documents"). If the note has been lost or destroyed, a lost note affidavit shall be submitted.
  - b. If, in addition to its principal amount, a claim includes interest, fees, expenses, or other charges incurred before the petition was filed, an itemized statement of the interest, fees, expenses, or charges shall be filed with the proof of claim (including any expenses or charges based on an escrow analysis as of the date of filing) at least in the detail specified in the current draft of Official Form B 10 (effective December 2011) ("Official Form B 10") Attachment A.
  - c. A statement of the amount necessary to cure any default as of the date of the petition shall be filed with the proof of claim.
  - d. If a security interest is claimed in property that is the debtor's principal residence, the attachment prescribed by the appropriate Official Form shall be filed with the proof of claim.
  - e. Servicer shall include a statement in a POC setting forth the basis for asserting that the applicable party has the right to foreclose.
  - f. The POC shall be signed (either by hand or by appropriate electronic signature) by the responsible person under penalty of perjury after reasonable investigation, stating that the information set forth in the POC is true and correct to the best of such responsible person's knowledge, information, and reasonable belief, and clearly identify the responsible person's employer and position or title with the

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- 2. **Motions for Relief from Stay ("MRS")**. Unless not permitted by bankruptcy law, Servicer shall ensure that each MRS in a chapter 13 proceeding is documented by attaching:
  - a. To the extent not previously submitted with a POC, a copy of the Loan Documents; if such documents were previously submitted with a POC, a statement to that effect. If the promissory note has been lost or destroyed, a lost note affidavit shall be submitted;
  - b. To the extent not previously submitted with a POC, Servicer shall include a statement in an MRS setting forth the basis for asserting that the applicable party has the right to foreclose.
  - c. An affidavit, sworn statement or Declaration made by Servicer or based on information provided by Servicer ("MRS affidavit" (which term includes, without limitation, any facts provided by Servicer that are included in any attachment and submitted to establish the truth of such facts) setting forth:
    - i. whether there has been a default in paying prepetition arrearage or post-petition amounts (an "MRS delinquency");
    - if there has been such a default, (a) the unpaid ii. principal balance, (b) a description of any default with respect to the pre-petition arrearage, (c) a description of any default with respect to the postpetition amount (including, if applicable, any escrow shortage), (d) the amount of the pre-petition arrearage (if applicable), (e) the post-petition payment amount, (f) for the period since the date of the first post-petition or pre-petition default that is continuing and has not been cured, the date and amount of each payment made (including escrow payments) and the application of each such payment, and (g) the amount, date and description of each fee or charge applied to such pre-petition amount or post-petition amount since the later of the date of the petition or the preceding statement pursuant to paragraph III.B.1.a; and
      - iii. all amounts claimed, including a statement of the amount necessary to cure any default on or about the date of the MRS.

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- d. All other attachments prescribed by statute, rule, or law.
- e. Servicer shall ensure that any MRS discloses the terms of any trial period or permanent loan modification plan pending at the time of filing of a MRS or whether the debtor is being evaluated for a loss mitigation option.
- E. Quality Assurance Systems Review.
  - 1. Servicer shall conduct regular reviews, not less than quarterly, of a statistically valid sample of affidavits, sworn statements, Declarations filed by or on behalf of Servicer in judicial foreclosures or bankruptcy proceedings and notices of default, notices of sale and similar notices submitted in non-judicial foreclosures to ensure that the documents are accurate and comply with prevailing law and this Agreement.
    - a. The reviews shall also verify the accuracy of the statements in affidavits, sworn statements, Declarations and documents used to foreclose in non-judicial foreclosures, the account summary described in paragraph I.B.10, the ownership statement described in paragraph I.C.2, and the loss mitigation statement described in paragraph IV.B.13 by reviewing the underlying information. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases.
    - b. The reviews shall also verify the accuracy of the statements in affidavits, sworn statements and Declarations submitted in bankruptcy proceedings. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases.
  - 2. The quality assurance steps set forth above shall be conducted by Servicer employees who are separate and independent of employees who prepare foreclosure or bankruptcy affidavits, sworn statements, or other foreclosure or bankruptcy documents.
  - 3. Servicer shall conduct regular pre-filing reviews of a statistically valid sample of POCs to ensure that the POCs are accurate and comply with prevailing law and this Agreement. The reviews shall also verify the accuracy of the statements in POCs. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases. The pre-filing review shall be conducted by Servicer employees who are separate and independent of the persons who prepared the applicable POCs.

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4. Servicer shall regularly review and assess the adequacy of its internal controls and procedures with respect to its obligations under this Agreement, and implement appropriate procedures to address deficiencies.

# II. THIRD-PARTY PROVIDER OVERSIGHT.

- A. Oversight Duties Applicable to All Third-Party Providers.
  - Servicer shall adopt policies and processes to oversee and manage foreclosure firms, law firms, foreclosure trustees, subservicers and other agents, independent contractors, entities and third parties (including subsidiaries and affiliates) retained by or on behalf of Servicer that provide foreclosure, bankruptcy or mortgage servicing activities (including loss mitigation) (collectively, such activities are "Servicing Activities" and such providers are "Third-Party Providers"), including:
  - 1. Servicer shall perform appropriate due diligence of Third-Party Providers' qualifications, expertise, capacity, reputation, complaints, information security, document custody practices, business continuity, and financial viability.
  - 2. Servicer shall amend agreements, engagement letters, or oversight policies, or enter into new agreements or engagement letters, with Third-Party Providers to require them to comply with Servicer's applicable policies and procedures (which will incorporate any applicable aspects of this Agreement) and applicable state and federal laws and rules.
  - 3. Servicer shall ensure that agreements, contracts or oversight policies provide for adequate oversight, including measures to enforce Third-Party Provider contractual obligations, and to ensure timely action with respect to Third-Party Provider performance failures.
  - 4. Servicer shall ensure that foreclosure and bankruptcy counsel and foreclosure trustees have appropriate access to information from Servicer's books and records necessary to perform their duties in preparing pleadings and other documents submitted in foreclosure and bankruptcy proceedings.
  - 5. Servicer shall ensure that all information provided by or on behalf of Servicer to Third-Party Providers in connection with providing Servicing Activities is accurate and complete.
  - 6. Servicer shall conduct periodic reviews of Third-Party Providers. These reviews shall include:
    - a. A review of a sample of the foreclosure and bankruptcy documents prepared by the Third-Party Provider, to provide for compliance with applicable state and federal law and

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- this Agreement in connection with the preparation of the documents, and the accuracy of the facts contained therein;
- b. A review of the fees and costs assessed by the Third-Party Provider to provide that only fees and costs that are lawful, reasonable and actually incurred are charged to borrowers and that no portion of any fees or charges incurred by any Third-Party Provider for technology usage, connectivity, or electronic invoice submission is charged as a cost to the borrower;
- c. A review of the Third-Party Provider's processes to provide for compliance with the Servicer's policies and procedures concerning Servicing Activities;
- d. A review of the security of original loan documents maintained by the Third-Party Provider;
- e. A requirement that the Third-Party Provider disclose to the Servicer any imposition of sanctions or professional disciplinary action taken against them for misconduct related to performance of Servicing Activities; and
- f. An assessment of whether bankruptcy attorneys comply with the best practice of determining whether a borrower has made a payment curing any MRS delinquency within two business days of the scheduled hearing date of the related MRS.

The quality assurance steps set forth above shall be conducted by Servicer employees who are separate and independent of employees who prepare foreclosure or bankruptcy affidavits, sworn documents, Declarations or other foreclosure or bankruptcy documents.

- 7. Servicer shall take appropriate remedial steps if problems are identified through this review or otherwise, including, when appropriate, terminating its relationship with the Third-Party Provider.
- 8. Servicer shall adopt processes for reviewing and appropriately addressing customer complaints it receives about Third-Party Provider services.
- 9. Servicer shall regularly review and assess the adequacy of its internal controls and procedures with respect to its obligations under this Section, and take appropriate remedial steps if deficiencies are identified, including appropriate remediation in individual cases.

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- B. Additional Oversight of Activities by Third-Party Providers.
  - 1. Servicer shall require a certification process for law firms (and recertification of existing law firm providers) that provide residential mortgage foreclosure and bankruptcy services for Servicer, on a periodic basis, as qualified to serve as a Third-Party Provider to Servicer, including that attorneys have the experience and competence necessary to perform the services requested.
  - 2. Servicer shall ensure that attorneys are licensed to practice in the relevant jurisdiction, have the experience and competence necessary to perform the services requested, and that their services comply with applicable rules, regulations and applicable law (including state law prohibitions on fee splitting).
  - 3. Servicer shall ensure that foreclosure and bankruptcy counsel and foreclosure trustees have an appropriate Servicer contact to assist in legal proceedings and to facilitate loss mitigation questions on behalf of the borrower.
  - 4. Servicer shall adopt policies requiring Third-Party Providers to maintain records that identify all notarizations of Servicer documents executed by each notary employed by the Third-Party Provider.

#### III. BANKRUPTCY.

## A. General.

- 1. The provisions, conditions and obligations imposed herein are intended to be interpreted in accordance with applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. Nothing herein shall require a Servicer to do anything inconsistent with applicable state or federal law, including the applicable bankruptcy law or a court order in a bankruptcy case.
- 2. Servicer shall ensure that employees who are regularly engaged in servicing mortgage loans as to which the borrower or mortgagor is in bankruptcy receive training specifically addressing bankruptcy issues.

## B. Chapter 13 Cases.

- 1. In any chapter 13 case, Servicer shall ensure that:
  - a. So long as the debtor is in a chapter 13 case, within 180 days after the date on which the fees, expenses, or charges are incurred, file and serve on the debtor, debtor's counsel, and the trustee a notice in a form consistent with Official Form B10 (Supplement 2) itemizing fees, expenses, or charges (1) that were incurred in connection with the claim

- after the bankruptcy case was filed, (2) that the holder asserts are recoverable against the debtor or against the debtor's principal residence, and (3) that the holder intends to collect from the debtor.
- b. Servicer replies within time periods established under bankruptcy law to any notice that the debtor has completed all payments under the plan or otherwise paid in full the amount required to cure any pre-petition default.
- c. If the Servicer fails to provide information as required by paragraph III.B.1.a with respect to a fee, expense or charge within 180 days of the incurrence of such fee, expense, or charge, then,
  - i. Except for independent charges ("Independent charge") paid by the Servicer that is either (A) specifically authorized by the borrower or (B) consists of amounts advanced by Servicer in respect of taxes, homeowners association fees, liens or insurance, such fee, expense or charge shall be deemed waived and may not be collected from the borrower.
  - ii. In the case of an Independent charge, the court may, after notice and hearing, take either or both of the following actions:
    - (a) preclude the holder from presenting the omitted information, in any form, as evidence in any contested matter or adversary proceeding in the case, unless the court determines that the failure was substantially justified or is harmless; or
    - (b) award other appropriate relief, including reasonable expenses and attorney's fees caused by the failure.
- d. If the Servicer fails to provide information as required by paragraphs III.B.1.a or III.B.1.b and bankruptcy law with respect to a fee, expense or charge (other than an Independent Charge) incurred more than 45 days before the date of the reply referred to in paragraph III.B.1.b, then such fee, expense or charge shall be deemed waived and may not be collected from the borrower.
- e. Servicer shall file and serve on the debtor, debtor's counsel, and the trustee a notice in a form consistent with the current draft of Official Form B10 (Supplement 1) (effective

December 2011) of any change in the payment amount, including any change that results from an interest rate or escrow account adjustment, no later than 21 days before a payment in the new amount is due. Servicer shall waive and not collect any late charge or other fees imposed solely as a result of the failure of the borrower timely to make a payment attributable to the failure of Servicer to give such notice timely.

#### IV. LOSS MITIGATION.

These requirements are intended to apply to both government-sponsored and proprietary loss mitigation programs and shall apply to subservicers performing loss mitigation services on Servicer's behalf.

## A. Loss Mitigation Requirements.

- 1. Servicer shall be required to notify potentially eligible borrowers of currently available loss mitigation options prior to foreclosure referral. Upon the timely receipt of a complete loan modification application, Servicer shall evaluate borrowers for all available loan modification options for which they are eligible prior to referring a borrower to foreclosure and shall facilitate the submission and review of loss mitigation applications. The foregoing notwithstanding, Servicer shall have no obligation to solicit borrowers who are in bankruptcy.
- 2. Servicer shall offer and facilitate loan modifications for borrowers rather than initiate foreclosure when such loan modifications for which they are eligible are net present value (NPV) positive and meet other investor, guarantor, insurer and program requirements.
- 3. Servicer shall allow borrowers enrolled in a trial period plan under prior HAMP guidelines (where borrowers were not pre-qualified) and who made all required trial period payments, but were later denied a permanent modification, the opportunity to reapply for a HAMP or proprietary loan modification using current financial information.
- 4. Servicer shall promptly send a final modification agreement to borrowers who have enrolled in a trial period plan under current HAMP guidelines (or fully underwritten proprietary modification programs with a trial payment period) and who have made the required number of timely trial period payments, where the modification is underwritten prior to the trial period and has received any necessary investor, guarantor or insurer approvals. The borrower shall then be converted by Servicer to a permanent modification upon execution of the final modification documents,

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consistent with applicable program guidelines, absent evidence of fraud.

### B. Dual Track Restricted.

- 1. If a borrower has not already been referred to foreclosure, Servicer shall not refer an eligible borrower's account to foreclosure while the borrower's complete application for any loan modification program is pending if Servicer received (a) a complete loan modification application no later than day 120 of delinquency, or (b) a substantially complete loan modification application (missing only any required documentation of hardship) no later than day 120 of delinquency and Servicer receives any required hardship documentation no later than day 130 of delinquency. Servicer shall not make a referral to foreclosure of an eligible borrower who so provided an application until:
  - a. Servicer determines (after the automatic review in paragraph IV.G.1) that the borrower is not eligible for a loan modification, or
  - b. If borrower does not accept an offered foreclosure prevention alternative within 14 days of the evaluation notice, the earlier of (i) such 14 days, and (ii) borrower's decline of the foreclosure prevention offer.
  - 2. If borrower accepts the loan modification resulting from Servicer's evaluation of the complete loan modification application referred to in paragraph IV.B.1 (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses) or by submitting the first trial modification payment) within 14 days of Servicer's offer of a loan modification, then the Servicer shall delay referral to foreclosure until (a) if the Servicer fails timely to receive the first trial period payment, the last day for timely receiving the first trial period payment, and (b) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
  - 3. If the loan modification requested by a borrower as described in paragraph IV.B.1 is denied, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, if borrower is entitled to an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3, Servicer will not proceed to a foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable):
    - a. expiration of the 30-day appeal period; and
    - b. if the borrower appeals the denial, until the later of (if applicable) (i) if Servicer denies borrower's appeal, 15 days after the letter denying the appeal, (ii) if the Servicer sends borrower a letter granting his or her appeal and offering a loan modification, 14 days after the date of such offer, (iii)

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- if the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses), or by making the first trial period payment), after the Servicer fails timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (iv) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, the 4. Servicer receives a complete application from the borrower within 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter, then while such loan modification application is pending, Servicer shall not move for foreclosure judgment or order of sale (or, if a motion has already been filed, shall take reasonable steps to avoid a ruling on such motion), or seek a foreclosure sale. If Servicer offers the borrower a loan modification, Servicer shall not move for judgment or order of sale, (or, if a motion has already been filed, shall take reasonable steps to avoid a ruling on such motion), or seek a foreclosure sale until the earlier of (a) 14 days after the date of the related offer of a loan modification, and (b) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses) or by submitting the first trial modification payment) within 14 days after the date of the related offer of loan modification, Servicer shall continue this delay until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 5. If the loan modification requested by a borrower described in paragraph IV.B.4 is denied, then, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, if borrower is entitled to an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3, Servicer will not proceed to a foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable):
  - a. expiration of the 30-day appeal period; and
  - b. if the borrower appeals the denial, until the later of (if applicable) (i) if Servicer denies borrower's appeal, 15 days after the letter denying the appeal, (ii) if the Servicer sends borrower a letter granting his or her appeal and offering a loan modification, 14 days after the date of such offer, (iii) if the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses), or by making the first trial period payment), after the failure of the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (iv) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period

 payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.

- If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, 6. Servicer receives a complete loan modification application more than 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter, but more than 37 days before a foreclosure sale is scheduled, then while such loan modification application is pending, Servicer shall not proceed with the foreclosure sale. If Servicer offers a loan modification, then Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the earlier of (i) 14 days after the date of the related offer of loan modification, and (ii) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses) or by submitting the first trial modification payment) within 14 days, Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 7. If the loan modification requested by a borrower described in paragraph IV.B.6 is denied and it is reasonable to believe that more than 90 days remains until a scheduled foreclosure date or the first date on which a sale could reasonably be expected to be scheduled and occur, then, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, if borrower is entitled to an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3.a, Servicer will not proceed to a foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable):
  - a. expiration of the 30-day appeal period; and
  - b. if the borrower appeals the denial, until the later of (if applicable) (i) if Servicer denies borrower's appeal, 15 days after the letter denying the appeal, (ii) if the Servicer sends borrower a letter granting his or her appeal and offering a loan modification, 14 days after the date of such offer, (iii) if the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (verbally, in writing (including e-mail responses), or by making the first trial period payment), after the Servicer fails timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (iv) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 8. If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, Servicer receives a complete loan modification application more than 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter, but within 37 to 15 days before a foreclosure sale is scheduled, then Servicer shall conduct an expedited review of the

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borrower and, if the borrower is extended a loan modification offer, Servicer shall postpone any foreclosure sale until the earlier of (a) 14 days after the date of the related evaluation notice, and (b) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower timely accepts the loan modification offer (either in writing or by submitting the first trial modification payment), Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.

- If, after an eligible borrower has been referred to foreclosure, the 9 Servicer receives a complete loan modification application more than 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter and less than 15 days before a scheduled foreclosure sale, Servicer must notify the borrower before the foreclosure sale date as to Servicer's determination (if its review was completed) or inability to complete its review of the loan modification application. If Servicer makes a loan modification offer to the borrower, then Servicer shall postpone any sale until the earlier of (a) 14 days after the date of the related evaluation notice, and (b) the date the borrower declines the loan modification offer. If the borrower timely accepts a loan modification offer (either in writing or by submitting the first trial modification payment), Servicer shall delay the foreclosure sale until the later of (if applicable) (A) the failure by the Servicer timely to receive the first trial period payment, and (B) if the Servicer timely receives the first trial period payment, after the borrower breaches the trial plan.
- 10. For purposes of this section IV.B, Servicer shall not be responsible for failing to obtain a delay in a ruling on a judgment or failing to delay a foreclosure sale if Servicer made a request for such delay, pursuant to any state or local law, court rule or customary practice, and such request was not approved.
- 11. Servicer shall not move to judgment or order of sale or proceed with a foreclosure sale under any of the following circumstances:
  - a. The borrower is in compliance with the terms of a trial loan modification, forbearance, or repayment plan; or
  - b. A short sale or deed-in-lieu of foreclosure has been approved by all parties (including, for example, first lien investor, junior lien holder and mortgage insurer, as applicable), and proof of funds or financing has been provided to Servicer.

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- 12. If a foreclosure or trustee's sale is continued (rather than cancelled) to provide time to evaluate loss mitigation options, Servicer shall promptly notify borrower in writing of the new date of sale (without delaying any related foreclosure sale).
- 13. As indicated in paragraph I.A.18, Servicer shall send a statement to the borrower outlining loss mitigation efforts undertaken with respect to the borrower prior to foreclosure referral. If no loss mitigation efforts were offered or undertaken, Servicer shall state whether it contacted or attempted to contact the borrower and, if applicable, why the borrower was ineligible for a loan modification or other loss mitigation options.
- 14. Servicer shall ensure timely and accurate communication of or access to relevant loss mitigation status and changes in status to its foreclosure attorneys, bankruptcy attorneys and foreclosure trustees and, where applicable, to court-mandated mediators.

#### C. Single Point of Contact.

- 1. Servicer shall establish an easily accessible and reliable single point of contact ("SPOC") for each potentially-eligible first lien mortgage borrower so that the borrower has access to an employee of Servicer to obtain information throughout the loss mitigation, loan modification and foreclosure processes.
- 2. Servicer shall initially identify the SPOC to the borrower promptly after a potentially-eligible borrower requests loss mitigation assistance. Servicer shall provide one or more direct means of communication with the SPOC on loss mitigation-related correspondence with the borrower. Servicer shall promptly provide updated contact information to the borrower if the designated SPOC is reassigned, no longer employed by Servicer, or otherwise not able to act as the primary point of contact.
  - a. Servicer shall ensure that debtors in bankruptcy are assigned to a SPOC specially trained in bankruptcy issues.
- 3. The SPOC shall have primary responsibility for:
  - a. Communicating the options available to the borrower, the actions the borrower must take to be considered for these options and the status of Servicer's evaluation of the borrower for these options;
  - b. Coordinating receipt of all documents associated with loan modification or loss mitigation activities;
  - c. Being knowledgeable about the borrower's situation and current status in the delinquency/imminent default resolution process; and

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- d. Ensuring that a borrower who is not eligible for MHA programs is considered for proprietary or other investor loss mitigation options.
- 4. The SPOC shall, at a minimum, provide the following services to borrowers:
  - a. Contact borrower and introduce himself/herself as the borrower's SPOC;
  - b. Explain programs for which the borrower is eligible;
  - c. Explain the requirements of the programs for which the borrower is eligible;
  - d. Explain program documentation requirements;
  - e. Provide basic information about the status of borrower's account, including pending loan modification applications, other loss mitigation alternatives, and foreclosure activity;
  - f. Notify borrower of missing documents and provide an address or electronic means for submission of documents by borrower in order to complete the loan modification application;
  - Communicate Servicer's decision regarding loan modification applications and other loss mitigation alternatives to borrower in writing;
  - h. Assist the borrower in pursuing alternative non-foreclosure options upon denial of a loan modification;
  - i. If a loan modification is approved, call borrower to explain the program;
  - j. Provide information regarding credit counseling where necessary;
  - k. Help to clear for borrower any internal processing requirements; and
  - 1. Have access to individuals with the ability to stop foreclosure proceedings when necessary to comply with the MHA Program or this Agreement.
  - 5. The SPOC shall remain assigned to borrower's account and available to borrower until such time as Servicer determines in good faith that all loss mitigation options have been exhausted, borrower's account becomes current or, in the case of a borrower in bankruptcy, the borrower has exhausted all loss mitigation options for which the borrower is potentially eligible and has applied.

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- 6. Servicer shall ensure that a SPOC can refer and transfer a borrower to an appropriate supervisor upon request of the borrower.
- 7. Servicer shall ensure that relevant records relating to borrower's account are promptly available to the borrower's SPOC, so that the SPOC can timely, adequately and accurately inform the borrower of the current status of loss mitigation, loan modification, and foreclosure activities.
- Servicer shall designate one or more management level employees 8. to be the primary contact for the Attorneys General, state financial regulators, the Executive Office of U.S. Trustee, each regional office of the U.S. Trustee, and federal regulators for communication regarding complaints and inquiries from individual borrowers who are in default and/or have applied for loan modifications. Servicer shall provide a written acknowledgment to all such inquiries within 10 business days. Servicer shall provide a substantive written response to all such inquiries within 30 days. Servicer shall provide relevant loan information to borrower and to Attorneys General, state financial regulators, federal regulators, the Executive Office of the U.S. Trustee, and each U.S. Trustee upon written request and if properly authorized. A written complaint filed by a borrower and forwarded by a state attorney general or financial regulatory agency to Servicer shall be deemed to have proper authorization.
  - 9. Servicer shall establish and make available to Chapter 13 trustees a toll-free number staffed by persons trained in bankruptcy to respond to inquiries from Chapter 13 trustees.
- D. Loss Mitigation Communications with Borrowers.
  - Servicer shall commence outreach efforts to communicate loss 1. mitigation options for first lien mortgage loans to all potentially eligible delinquent borrowers (other than those in bankruptcy) beginning on timelines that are in accordance with HAMP borrower solicitation guidelines set forth in the MHA Handbook version 3.2, Chapter II, Section 2.2, regardless of whether the borrower is eligible for a HAMP modification. Servicer shall provide borrowers with notices that include contact information for national or state foreclosure assistance hotlines and state housing counseling resources, as appropriate. The use by Servicer of nothing more than prerecorded automatic messages in loss mitigation communications with borrowers shall not be sufficient in those instances in which it fails to result in contact between the borrower and one of Servicer's loss mitigation specialists. Servicer shall conduct affirmative outreach efforts to inform delinquent second lien borrowers (other than those in bankruptcy)

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- about the availability of payment reduction options. The foregoing notwithstanding, Servicer shall have no obligation to solicit borrowers who are in bankruptcy.
- 2. Servicer shall disclose and provide accurate information to borrowers relating to the qualification process and eligibility factors for loss mitigation programs.
- 3. Servicer shall communicate, at the written request of the borrower, with the borrower's authorized representatives, including housing counselors. Servicer shall communicate with representatives from state attorneys general and financial regulatory agencies acting upon a written complaint filed by the borrower and forwarded by the state attorney general or financial regulatory agency to Servicer. When responding to the borrower regarding such complaint, Servicer shall include the applicable state attorney general on all correspondence with the borrower regarding such complaint.
- 4. Servicer shall cease all collection efforts while the borrower (i) is making timely payments under a trial loan modification or (ii) has submitted a complete loan modification application, and a modification decision is pending. Notwithstanding the above, Servicer reserves the right to contact a borrower to gather required loss mitigation documentation or to assist a borrower with performance under a trial loan modification plan.
- 5. Servicer shall consider partnering with third parties, including national chain retailers, and shall consider the use of select bank branches affiliated with Servicer, to set up programs to allow borrowers to copy, fax, scan, transmit by overnight delivery, or mail or email documents to Servicer free of charge.
- 6. Within five business days after referral to foreclosure, the Servicer (including any attorney (or trustee) conducting foreclosure proceedings at the direction of the Servicer) shall send a written communication ("Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter") to the borrower that includes clear language that:
  - a. The Servicer may have sent to the borrower one or more borrower solicitation communications;
  - b. The borrower can still be evaluated for alternatives to foreclosure even if he or she had previously shown no interest;
  - c. The borrower should contact the Servicer to obtain a loss mitigation application package;
  - d. The borrower must submit a loan modification application

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- to the Servicer to request consideration for available foreclosure prevention alternatives;
- e. Provides the Servicer's contact information for submitting a complete loan modification application, including the Servicer's toll-free number; and
- f. Unless the form of letter is otherwise specified by investor directive or state law or the borrower is not eligible for an appeal under paragraph IV.G.3.a, states that if the borrower is contemplating or has pending an appeal of an earlier denial of a loan modification application, that he or she may submit a loan modification application in lieu of his or her appeal within 30 days after the Post Referral to Foreclosure Solicitation Letter.

## E. Development of Loan Portals.

- 1. Servicer shall develop or contract with a third-party vendor to develop an online portal linked to Servicer's primary servicing system where borrowers can check, at no cost, the status of their first lien loan modifications.
- 2. Servicer shall design portals that may, among other things:
  - Enable borrowers to submit documents electronically;
  - b. Provide an electronic receipt for any documents submitted;
  - Provide information and eligibility factors for proprietary loan modification and other loss mitigation programs; and
  - d. Permit Servicer to communicate with borrowers to satisfy any written communications required to be provided by Servicer, if borrowers submit documents electronically.
- 3. Servicer shall participate in the development and implementation of a neutral, nationwide loan portal system linked to Servicer's primary servicing system, such as Hope LoanPort to enhance communications with housing counselors, including using the technology used for the Borrower Portal, and containing similar features to the Borrower Portal.
- 4. Servicer shall update the status of each pending loan modification on these portals at least every 10 business days and ensure that each portal is updated on such a schedule as to maintain consistency.

## F. Loan Modification Timelines.

1. Servicer shall provide written acknowledgement of the receipt of documentation submitted by the borrower in connection with a first lien loan modification application within 3 business days. In

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- its initial acknowledgment, Servicer shall briefly describe the loan modification process and identify deadlines and expiration dates for submitted documents.
- 2. Servicer shall notify borrower of any known deficiency in borrower's initial submission of information, no later than 5 business days after receipt, including any missing information or documentation required for the loan modification to be considered complete.
- 3. Subject to section IV.B, Servicer shall afford borrower 30 days from the date of Servicer's notification of any missing information or documentation to supplement borrower's submission of information prior to making a determination on whether or not to grant an initial loan modification.
- 4. Servicer shall review the complete first lien loan modification application submitted by borrower and shall determine the disposition of borrower's trial or preliminary loan modification request no later than 30 days after receipt of the complete loan modification application, absent compelling circumstances beyond Servicer's control.
- 5. Servicer shall implement processes to ensure that second lien loan modification requests are evaluated on a timely basis. When a borrower qualifies for a second lien loan modification after a first lien loan modification in accordance with Section 2.c.i of the General Framework for Consumer Relief Provisions, the Servicer of the second lien loan shall (absent compelling circumstances beyond Servicer's control) send loan modification documents to borrower no later than 45 days after the Servicer receives official notification of the successful completion of the related first lien loan modification and the essential terms.
- 6. For all proprietary first lien loan modification programs, Servicer shall allow properly submitted borrower financials to be used for 90 days from the date the documents are received, unless Servicer learns that there has been a material change in circumstances or unless investor requirements mandate a shorter time frame.
- 7. Servicer shall notify borrowers of the final denial of any first lien loan modification request within 10 business days of the denial decision. The notification shall be in the form of the non-approval notice required in paragraph IV.G.1 below.
- G. Independent Evaluation of First Lien Loan Modification Denials.
  - 1. Except when evaluated as provided in paragraphs IV.B.8 or IV.B.9, Servicer's initial denial of an eligible borrower's request for first lien loan modification following the submission of a

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complete loan modification application shall be subject to an independent evaluation. Such evaluation shall be performed by an independent entity or a different employee who has not been involved with the particular loan modification.

#### 2. Denial Notice.

- a. When a first lien loan modification is denied after independent review, Servicer shall send a written non-approval notice to the borrower identifying the reasons for denial and the factual information considered. The notice shall inform the borrower that he or she has 30 days from the date of the denial letter declination to provide evidence that the eligibility determination was in error.
- b. If the first lien modification is denied because disallowed by investor, Servicer shall disclose in the written non-approval notice the name of the investor and summarize the reasons for investor denial.
- c. For those cases where a first lien loan modification denial is the result of an NPV calculation, Servicer shall provide in the written non-approval notice the monthly gross income and property value used in the calculation.

## 3. Appeal Process.

- After the automatic review in paragraph IV.G.1 has been a. completed and Servicer has issued the written non-approval notice, in the circumstances described in the first sentences of paragraphs IV.B.3, IV.B.5 or IV.B.7, except when otherwise required by federal or state law or investor directives, borrowers shall have 30 days to request an appeal and obtain an independent review of the first lien loan modification denial in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Servicer shall ensure that the borrower has 30 days from the date of the written non-approval notice to provide information as to why Servicer's determination of eligibility for a loan modification was in error, unless the reason for non-approval is (1) ineligible mortgage, (2) ineligible property, (3) offer not accepted by borrower or request withdrawn, or (4) the loan was previously modified.
- b. For those cases in which the first lien loan modification denial is the result of an NPV calculation, if a borrower disagrees with the property value used by Servicer in the NPV test, the borrower can request that a full appraisal be conducted of the property by an independent licensed appraiser (at borrower expense) consistent with HAMP

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- directive 10-15. Servicer shall comply with the process set forth in HAMP directive 10-15, including using such value in the NPV calculation.
- c. Servicer shall review the information submitted by borrower and use its best efforts to communicate the disposition of borrower's appeal to borrower no later than 30 days after receipt of the information.
- d. If Servicer denies borrower's appeal, Servicer's appeal denial letter shall include a description of other available loss mitigation, including short sales and deeds in lieu of foreclosure.

#### H. General Loss Mitigation Requirements.

- 1. Servicer shall maintain adequate staffing and systems for tracking borrower documents and information that are relevant to foreclosure, loss mitigation, and other Servicer operations. Servicer shall make periodic assessments to ensure that its staffing and systems are adequate.
- 2. Servicer shall maintain adequate staffing and caseload limits for SPOCs and employees responsible for handling foreclosure, loss mitigation and related communications with borrowers and housing counselors. Servicer shall make periodic assessments to ensure that its staffing and systems are adequate.
- 3. Servicer shall establish reasonable minimum experience, educational and training requirements for loss mitigation staff.
- 4. Servicer shall document electronically key actions taken on a foreclosure, loan modification, bankruptcy, or other servicing file, including communications with the borrower.
- 5. Servicer shall not adopt compensation arrangements for its employees that encourage foreclosure over loss mitigation alternatives.
- 6. Servicer shall not make inaccurate payment delinquency reports to credit reporting agencies when the borrower is making timely reduced payments pursuant to a trial or other loan modification agreement. Servicer shall provide the borrower, prior to entering into a trial loan modification, with clear and conspicuous written information that adverse credit reporting consequences may result from the borrower making reduced payments during the trial period.
- 7. Where Servicer grants a loan modification, Servicer shall provide borrower with a copy of the fully executed loan modification agreement within 45 days of receipt of the executed copy from the

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- borrower. If the modification is not in writing, Servicer shall provide the borrower with a written summary of its terms, as promptly as possible, within 45 days of the approval of the modification.
- 8. Servicer shall not instruct, advise or recommend that borrowers go into default in order to qualify for loss mitigation relief.
- Servicer shall not discourage borrowers from working or communicating with legitimate non-profit housing counseling services.
- 10. Servicer shall not, in the ordinary course, require a borrower to waive or release claims and defenses as a condition of approval for a loan modification program or other loss mitigation relief. However, nothing herein shall preclude Servicer from requiring a waiver or release of claims and defenses with respect to a loan modification offered in connection with the resolution of a contested claim, when the borrower would not otherwise be qualified for the loan modification under existing Servicer programs.
- 11. Servicer shall not charge borrower an application fee in connection with a request for a loan modification. Servicer shall provide borrower with a pre-paid overnight envelope or pre-paid address label for return of a loan modification application.
- 12. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and to minimize the risk of borrowers submitting multiple loss mitigation requests for the purpose of delay, Servicer shall not be obligated to evaluate requests for loss mitigation options from (a) borrowers who have already been evaluated or afforded a fair opportunity to be evaluated consistent with the requirements of HAMP or proprietary modification programs, or (b) borrowers who were evaluated after the date of implementation of this Agreement, consistent with this Agreement, unless there has been a material change in the borrower's financial circumstances that is documented by borrower and submitted to Servicer.
- Proprietary First Lien Loan Modifications.
  - 1. Servicer shall make publicly available information on its qualification processes, all required documentation and information necessary for a complete first lien loan modification application, and key eligibility factors for all proprietary loan modifications.
  - 2. Servicer shall design proprietary first lien loan modification programs that are intended to produce sustainable modifications according to investor guidelines and previous results. Servicer

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- shall design these programs with the intent of providing affordable payments for borrowers needing longer term or permanent assistance.
- 3. Servicer shall track outcomes and maintain records regarding characteristics and performance of proprietary first lien loan modifications. Servicer shall provide a description of modification waterfalls, eligibility criteria, and modification terms, on a publicly-available website.
- 4. Servicer shall not charge any application or processing fees for proprietary first lien loan modifications.
- J. Proprietary Second Lien Loan Modifications.
  - 1. Servicer shall make publicly available information on its qualification processes, all required documentation and information necessary for a complete second lien modification application.
  - 2. Servicer shall design second lien modification programs with the intent of providing affordable payments for borrowers needing longer term or permanent assistance.
  - 3. Servicer shall not charge any application or processing fees for second lien modifications.
  - 4. When an eligible borrower with a second lien submits all required information for a second lien loan modification and the modification request is denied, Servicer shall promptly send a written non-approval notice to the borrower.

#### K. Short Sales.

- 1. Servicer shall make publicly available information on general requirements for the short sale process.
- 2. Servicer shall consider appropriate monetary incentives to underwater borrowers to facilitate short sale options.
- 3. Servicer shall develop a cooperative short sale process which allows the borrower the opportunity to engage with Servicer to pursue a short sale evaluation prior to putting home on the market.
- 4. Servicer shall send written confirmation of the borrower's first request for a short sale to the borrower or his or her agent within 10 business days of receipt of the request and proper written authorization from the borrower allowing Servicer to communicate with the borrower's agent. The confirmation shall include basic information about the short sale process and Servicer's requirements, and will state clearly and conspicuously that the

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- Servicer may demand a deficiency payment if such deficiency claim is permitted by applicable law.
- 5. Servicer shall send borrower at borrower's address of record or to borrower's agent timely written notice of any missing required documents for consideration of short sale within 30 days of receiving borrower's request for a short sale.
- 6. Servicer shall review the short sale request submitted by borrower and communicate the disposition of borrower's request no later than 30 days after receipt of all required information and third-party consents.
- 7. If the short sale request is accepted, Servicer shall contemporaneously notify the borrower whether Servicer or investor will demand a deficiency payment or related cash contribution and the approximate amount of that deficiency, if such deficiency obligation is permitted by applicable law. If the short sale request is denied, Servicer shall provide reasons for the denial in the written notice. If Servicer waives a deficiency claim, it shall not sell or transfer such claim to a third-party debt collector or debt buyer for collection.
- L. Loss Mitigation During Bankruptcy.
  - Servicer may not deny any loss mitigation option to eligible borrowers on the basis that the borrower is a debtor in bankruptcy so long as borrower and any trustee cooperates in obtaining any appropriate approvals or consents.
  - 2. Servicer shall, to the extent reasonable, extend trial period loan modification plans as necessary to accommodate delays in obtaining bankruptcy court approvals or receiving full remittance of debtor's trial period payments that have been made to a chapter 13 trustee. In the event of a trial period extension, the debtor must make a trial period payment for each month of the trial period, including any extension month.
  - 3. When the debtor is in compliance with a trial period or permanent loan modification plan, Servicer will not object to confirmation of the debtor's chapter 13 plan, move to dismiss the pending bankruptcy case, or file a MRS solely on the basis that the debtor paid only the amounts due under the trial period or permanent loan modification plan, as opposed to the non-modified mortgage payments.
- M. Transfer of Servicing of Loans Pending for Permanent Loan Modification.
  - 1. Ordinary Transfer of Servicing from Servicer to Successor Servicer or Subservicer.

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- a. At time of transfer or sale, Servicer shall inform successor servicer (including a subservicer) whether a loan modification is pending.
- b. Any contract for the transfer or sale of servicing rights shall obligate the successor servicer to accept and continue processing pending loan modification requests.
- c. Any contract for the transfer or sale of servicing rights shall obligate the successor servicer to honor trial and permanent loan modification agreements entered into by prior servicer.
- d. Any contract for transfer or sale of servicing rights shall designate that borrowers are third party beneficiaries under paragraphs IV.M.1.b and IV.M.1.c, above.
- 2. Transfer of Servicing to Servicer. When Servicer acquires servicing rights from another servicer, Servicer shall ensure that it will accept and continue to process pending loan modification requests from the prior servicer, and that it will honor trial and permanent loan modification agreements entered into by the prior servicer.

## V. PROTECTIONS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL.

- A. Servicer shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA), 50 U.S.C. Appx. § 501 et seq., and any applicable state law offering protections to servicemembers, and shall engage an independent consultant whose duties shall include a review of (a) all foreclosures in which an SCRA-eligible servicemember is known to have been an obligor or mortgagor, and (b) a sample of foreclosure actions (which sample will be appropriately enlarged to the extent Servicer identifies material exceptions), from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010 to determine whether the foreclosures were in compliance with the SCRA. Servicer shall remediate all monetary damages in compliance with the banking regulator Consent Orders.
- B. When a borrower states that he or she is or was within the preceding 9 months (or the then applicable statutory period under the SCRA) in active military service or has received and is subject to military orders requiring him or her to commence active military service, Lender shall determine whether the borrower may be eligible for the protections of the SCRA or for the protections of the provisions of paragraph V.F. If Servicer determines the borrower is so eligible, Servicer shall, until Servicer determines that such customer is no longer protected by the SCRA,
  - 1. if such borrower is not entitled to a SPOC, route such customers to employees who have been specially trained about the protections of the SCRA to respond to such borrower's questions, or

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- 2. if such borrower is entitled to a SPOC, designate as a SPOC for such borrower a person who has been specially trained about the protections of the SCRA (Servicemember SPOC).
- C. Servicer shall, in addition to any other reviews it may perform to assess eligibility under the SCRA, (i) before referring a loan for foreclosure, (ii) within seven days before a foreclosure sale, and (iii) the later of (A) promptly after a foreclosure sale and (B) within three days before the regularly scheduled end of any redemption period, determine whether the secured property is owned by a servicemember covered under SCRA by searching the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) for evidence of SCRA eligibility by either (a) last name and social security number, or (b) last name and date of birth.
- D. When a servicemember provides written notice requesting protection under the SCRA relating to interest rate relief, but does not provide the documentation required by Section 207(b)(1) of the SCRA (50 USC Appx. § 527(b)(1)), Servicer shall accept, in lieu of the documentation required by Section 207(b)(1) of the SCRA, a letter on official letterhead from the servicemember's commanding officer including a contact telephone number for confirmation:
  - 1. Addressed in such a way as to signify that the commanding officer recognizes that the letter will be relied on by creditors of the servicemember (a statement that the letter is intended to be relied upon by the Servicemember's creditors would satisfy this requirement);
  - 2. Setting forth the full name (including middle initial, if any), Social Security number and date of birth of the servicemember;
  - 3. Setting forth the home address of the servicemember; and
  - 4. Setting forth the date of the military orders marking the beginning of the period of military service of the servicemember and, as may be applicable, that the military service of the servicemember is continuing or the date on which the military service of the servicemember ended.
- E. Servicer shall notify customers who are 45 days delinquent that, if they are a servicemember, (a) they may be entitled to certain protections under the SCRA regarding the servicemember's interest rate and the risk of foreclosure, and (b) counseling for covered servicemembers is available at agencies such as Military OneSource, Armed Forces Legal Assistance, and a HUD-certified housing counselor. Such notice shall include a toll-free number that servicemembers may call to be connected to a person who has been specially trained about the protections of the SCRA to respond to such borrower's questions. Such telephone number shall either connect directly to such a person or afford a caller the ability to identify

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- him- or herself as an eligible servicemember and be routed to such persons. Servicers hereby confirm that they intend to take reasonable steps to ensure the dissemination of such toll-free number to customers who may be eligible servicemembers.
- Irrespective of whether a mortgage obligation was originated before or F. during the period of a servicemember's military service, if, based on the determination described in the last sentence and subject to Applicable Requirements, a servicemember's military orders (or any letter complying with paragraph V.D), together with any other documentation satisfactory to the Servicer, reflects that the servicemember is (a) eligible for Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay and (b) serving at a location (i) more than 750 miles from the location of the secured property or (ii) outside of the United States, then to the extent consistent with Applicable Requirements, the Servicer shall not sell, foreclose, or seize a property for a breach of an obligation on real property owned by a servicemember that is secured by mortgage, deed of trust, or other security in the nature of a mortgage, during, or within 9 months after, the period in which the servicemember is eligible for Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay, unless either (i) Servicer has obtained a court order granted before such sale, foreclosure, or seizure with a return made and approved by the court, or (ii) if made pursuant to an agreement as provided in section 107 of the SCRA (50 U.S.C. Appx. § 517). Unless a servicemember's eligibility for the protection under this paragraph can be fully determined by a proper search of the DMDC website, Servicer shall only be obligated under this provision if it is able to determine, based on a servicemember's military orders (or any letter complying with paragraph V.D), together with any other documentation provided by or on behalf of the servicemember that is satisfactory to the Servicer, that the servicemember is (a) eligible for Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay and (b) serving at a location (i) more than 750 miles from the location of the secured property or (ii) outside of the United States.
  - G. Servicer shall not require a servicemember to be delinquent to qualify for a short sale, loan modification, or other loss mitigation relief if the servicemember is suffering financial hardship and is otherwise eligible for such loss mitigation. Subject to Applicable Requirements, for purposes of assessing financial hardship in relation to (i) a short sale or deed in lieu transaction, Servicer will take into account whether the servicemember is, as a result of a permanent change of station order, required to relocate even if such servicemember's income has not been decreased, so long as the servicemember does not have sufficient liquid assets to make his or her monthly mortgage payments, or (ii) a loan modification, Servicer will take into account whether the servicemember is, as a result of his or her under military orders required to relocate to a new duty station at least seventy five mile from his or her residence/secured property or to reside at a location other than the residence/secured property, and accordingly is

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- unable personally to occupy the residence and (a) the residence will continue to be occupied by his or her dependents, or (b) the residence is the only residential property owned by the servicemember.
- H. Servicer shall not make inaccurate reports to credit reporting agencies when a servicemember, who has not defaulted before relocating under military orders to a new duty station, obtains a short sale, loan modification, or other loss mitigation relief.

## VI. RESTRICTIONS ON SERVICING FEES.

- A. General Requirements.
  - 1. All default, foreclosure and bankruptcy-related service fees, including third-party fees, collected from the borrower by Servicer shall be bona fide, reasonable in amount, and disclosed in detail to the borrower as provided in paragraphs I.B.10 and VI.B.1.
- B. Specific Fee Provisions.
  - 1. Schedule of Fees. Servicer shall maintain and keep current a schedule of common non-state specific fees or ranges of fees that may be charged to borrowers by or on behalf of Servicer. Servicer shall make this schedule available on its website and to the borrower or borrower's authorized representative upon request. The schedule shall identify each fee, provide a plain language explanation of the fee, and state the maximum amount of the fee or how the fee is calculated or determined.
  - 2. Servicer may collect a default-related fee only if the fee is for reasonable and appropriate services actually rendered and one of the following conditions is met:
    - a. the fee is expressly or generally authorized by the loan instruments and not prohibited by law or this Agreement;
    - b. the fee is permitted by law and not prohibited by the loan instruments or this Agreement; or
    - c. the fee is not prohibited by law, this Agreement or the loan instruments and is a reasonable fee for a specific service requested by the borrower that is collected only after clear and conspicuous disclosure of the fee is made available to the borrower.
  - 3. Attorneys' Fees. In addition to the limitations in paragraph VI.B.2 above, attorneys' fees charged in connection with a foreclosure action or bankruptcy proceeding shall only be for work actually performed and shall not exceed reasonable and customary fees for such work. In the event a foreclosure action is terminated prior to the final judgment and/or sale for a loss mitigation option, a

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reinstatement, or payment in full, the borrower shall be liable only for reasonable and customary fees for work actually performed.

#### 4. Late Fees.

- a. Servicer shall not collect any late fee or delinquency charge when the only delinquency is attributable to late fees or delinquency charges assessed on an earlier payment, and the payment is otherwise a full payment for the applicable period and is paid on or before its due date or within any applicable grace period.
- b. Servicer shall not collect late fees (i) based on an amount greater than the past due amount; (ii) collected from the escrow account or from escrow surplus without the approval of the borrower; or (iii) deducted from any regular payment.
- c. Servicer shall not collect any late fees for periods during which (i) a complete loan modification application is under consideration; (ii) the borrower is making timely trial modification payments; or (iii) a short sale offer is being evaluated by Servicer.

## C. Third-Party Fees.

- 1. Servicer shall not impose unnecessary or duplicative property inspection, property preservation or valuation fees on the borrower, including, but not limited to, the following:
  - a. No property preservation fees shall be imposed on eligible borrowers who have a pending application with Servicer for loss mitigation relief or are performing under a loss mitigation program, unless Servicer has a reasonable basis to believe that property preservation is necessary for the maintenance of the property, such as when the property is vacant or listed on a violation notice from a local jurisdiction;
  - b. No property inspection fee shall be imposed on a borrower any more frequently than the timeframes allowed under GSE or HUD guidelines unless Servicer has identified specific circumstances supporting the need for further property inspections; and
  - c. Servicer shall be limited to imposing property valuation fees (e.g., BPO) to once every 12 months, unless other valuations are requested by the borrower to facilitate a short sale or to support a loan modification as outlined in paragraph IV.G.3.a, or required as part of the default or

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### foreclosure valuation process.

- 2. Default, foreclosure and bankruptcy-related services performed by third parties shall be at reasonable market value.
- 3. Servicer shall not collect any fee for default, foreclosure or bankruptcy-related services by an affiliate unless the amount of the fee does not exceed the lesser of (a) any fee limitation or allowable amount for the service under applicable state law, and (b) the market rate for the service. To determine the market rate, Servicer shall obtain annual market reviews of its affiliates' pricing for such default and foreclosure-related services; such market reviews shall be performed by a qualified, objective, independent third-party professional using procedures and standards generally accepted in the industry to yield accurate and reliable results. The independent third-party professional shall determine in its market survey the price actually charged by third-party affiliates and by independent third party vendors.
- 4. Servicer shall be prohibited from collecting any unearned fee, or giving or accepting referral fees in relation to third-party default or foreclosure-related services.
- 5. Servicer shall not impose its own mark-ups on Servicer initiated third-party default or foreclosure-related services.

# D. Certain Bankruptcy Related Fees.

- 1. Servicer must not collect any attorney's fees or other charges with respect to the preparation or submission of a POC or MRS document that is withdrawn or denied, or any amendment thereto that is required, as a result of a substantial misstatement by Servicer of the amount due.
- 2. Servicer shall not collect late fees due to delays in receiving full remittance of debtor's payments, including trial period or permanent modification payments as well as post-petition conduit payments in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1322(b)(5), that debtor has timely (as defined by the underlying Chapter 13 plan) made to a chapter 13 trustee.

#### VII. FORCE-PLACED INSURANCE.

- A. General Requirements for Force-Placed Insurance.
  - 1. Servicer shall not obtain force-placed insurance unless there is a reasonable basis to believe the borrower has failed to comply with the loan contract's requirements to maintain property insurance. For escrowed accounts, Servicer shall continue to advance payments for the homeowner's existing policy, unless the borrower or insurance company cancels the existing policy.

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For purposes of this section VII, the term "force-placed insurance" means hazard insurance coverage obtained by Servicer when the borrower has failed to maintain or renew hazard or wind insurance on such property as required of the borrower under the terms of the mortgage.

- 2. Servicer shall not be construed as having a reasonable basis for obtaining force-placed insurance unless the requirements of this section VII have been met.
- 3. Servicer shall not impose any charge on any borrower for forceplaced insurance with respect to any property securing a federally related mortgage unless:
  - a. Servicer has sent, by first-class mail, a written notice to the borrower containing:
    - i. A reminder of the borrower's obligation to maintain hazard insurance on the property securing the federally related mortgage;
    - ii. A statement that Servicer does not have evidence of insurance coverage of such property;
    - iii. A clear and conspicuous statement of the procedures by which the borrower may demonstrate that the borrower already has insurance coverage;
    - iv. A statement that Servicer may obtain such coverage at the borrower's expense if the borrower does not provide such demonstration of the borrower's existing coverage in a timely manner;
    - v. A statement that the cost of such coverage may be significantly higher than the cost of the homeowner's current coverage;
    - vi. For first lien loans on Servicer's primary servicing system, a statement that, if the borrower desires to maintain his or her voluntary policy, Servicer will offer an escrow account and advance the premium due on the voluntary policy if the borrower: (a) accepts the offer of the escrow account; (b) provides a copy of the invoice from the voluntary carrier; (c) agrees in writing to reimburse the escrow advances through regular escrow payments; (d) agrees to escrow to both repay the advanced premium and to pay for the future premiums necessary to maintain any required insurance policy; and (e) agrees Servicer shall manage the escrow account in

- accordance with the loan documents and with state and federal law; and
- vii. A statement, in the case of single interest coverage, that the coverage may only protect the mortgage holder's interest and not the homeowner's interest.
- b. Servicer has sent, by first-class mail, a second written notice, at least 30 days after the mailing of the notice under paragraph VII.A.3.a that contains all the information described in each clause of such paragraph.
- c. Servicer has not received from the borrower written confirmation of hazard insurance coverage for the property securing the mortgage by the end of the 15-day period beginning on the date the notice under paragraph VII.A.3.b was sent by Servicer.
- 4. Servicer shall accept any reasonable form of written confirmation from a borrower or the borrower's insurance agent of existing insurance coverage, which shall include the existing insurance policy number along with the identity of, and contact information for, the insurance company or agent.
- 5. Servicer shall not place hazard or wind insurance on a mortgaged property, or require a borrower to obtain or maintain such insurance, in excess of the greater of replacement value, last-known amount of coverage or the outstanding loan balance, unless required by Applicable Requirements, or requested by borrower in writing.
- 6. Within 15 days of the receipt by Servicer of evidence of a borrower's existing insurance coverage, Servicer shall:
  - Terminate the force-placed insurance; and
  - b. Refund to the consumer all force-placed insurance premiums paid by the borrower during any period during which the borrower's insurance coverage and the force placed insurance coverage were each in effect, and any related fees charged to the consumer's account with respect to the force-placed insurance during such period.
- 7. Servicer shall make reasonable efforts to work with the borrower to continue or reestablish the existing homeowner's policy if there is a lapse in payment and the borrower's payments are escrowed.
- 8. Any force-placed insurance policy must be purchased for a commercially reasonable price.

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9. No provision of this section VII shall be construed as prohibiting Servicer from providing simultaneous or concurrent notice of a lack of flood insurance pursuant to section 102(e) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973.

# VIII. GENERAL SERVICER DUTIES AND PROHIBITIONS.

- A. Measures to Deter Community Blight.
  - 1. Servicer shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that REO properties do not become blighted.
  - 2. Servicer shall develop and implement policies and procedures to enhance participation and coordination with state and local land bank programs, neighborhood stabilization programs, nonprofit redevelopment programs, and other anti-blight programs, including those that facilitate discount sale or donation of low-value REO properties so that they can be demolished or salvaged for productive use.
  - 3. As indicated in I.A.18, Servicer shall (a) inform borrower that if the borrower continues to occupy the property, he or she has responsibility to maintain the property, and an obligation to continue to pay taxes owed, until a sale or other title transfer action occurs; and (b) request that if the borrower wishes to abandon the property, he or she contact Servicer to discuss alternatives to foreclosure under which borrower can surrender the property to Servicer in exchange for compensation.
  - 4. When the Servicer makes a determination not to pursue foreclosure action on a property with respect to a first lien mortgage loan, Servicer shall:
    - a. Notify the borrower of Servicer's decision to release the lien and not pursue foreclosure, and inform borrower about his or her right to occupy the property until a sale or other title transfer action occurs; and
    - b. Notify local authorities, such as tax authorities, courts, or code enforcement departments, when Servicer decides to release the lien and not pursue foreclosure.
  - B. Tenants' Rights.
    - 1. Servicer shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws governing the rights of tenants living in foreclosed residential properties.
    - 2. Servicer shall develop and implement written policies and procedures to ensure compliance with such laws.

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# IX. GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEFINITIONS, AND IMPLEMENTATION.

## A. Applicable Requirements.

- The servicing standards and any modifications or other actions 1. taken in accordance with the servicing standards are expressly subject to, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, (a) applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations, including, but not limited to, any requirements of the federal banking regulators, (b) the terms of the applicable mortgage loan documents, (c) Section 201 of the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act of 2009, and (d) the terms and provisions of the Servicer Participation Agreement with the Department of Treasury, any servicing agreement, subservicing agreement under which Servicer services for others, special servicing agreement, mortgage or bond insurance policy or related agreement or requirements to which Servicer is a party and by which it or its servicing is bound pertaining to the servicing or ownership of the mortgage loans, including without limitation the requirements, binding directions, or investor guidelines of the applicable investor (such as Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac), mortgage or bond insurer, or credit enhancer (collectively, the "Applicable Requirements").
- 2. In the event of a conflict between the requirements of the Agreement and the Applicable Requirements with respect to any provision of this Agreement such that the Servicer cannot comply without violating Applicable Requirements or being subject to adverse action, including fines and penalties, Servicer shall document such conflicts and notify the Monitor and the Monitoring Committee that it intends to comply with the Applicable Requirements to the extent necessary to eliminate the conflict. Any associated Metric provided for in the Enforcement Terms will be adjusted accordingly.

#### B. Definitions.

- 1. In each instance in this Agreement in which Servicer is required to ensure adherence to, or undertake to perform certain obligations, it is intended to mean that Servicer shall: (a) authorize and adopt such actions on behalf of Servicer as may be necessary for Servicer to perform such obligations and undertakings; (b) follow up on any material non-compliance with such actions in a timely and appropriate manner; and (c) require corrective action be taken in a timely manner of any material non-compliance with such obligations.
- 2. References to Servicer shall mean JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. and shall include Servicer's successors and assignees in the event of a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of Servicer or of

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Servicer's division(s) or major business unit(s) that are engaged as a primary business in customer-facing servicing of residential mortgages on owner-occupied properties. The provisions of this Agreement shall not apply to those divisions or major business units of Servicer that are not engaged as a primary business in customer-facing servicing of residential mortgages on owner-occupied one-to-four family properties on its own behalf or on behalf of investors.

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## **EXHIBIT B**

## DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

- 1. Any amount of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount that is not distributed pursuant to Paragraph 2 shall be distributed as follows.
  - a. Federal Payment Settlement Amount. The Escrow Agent shall distribute \$911,777,917.00 (the "Federal Payment Settlement Amount") to the United States in accordance with instructions to be provided by the United States.
    - i. Of the Federal Payment Settlement Amount, \$684,090,417.00 shall, following payment of any amounts owed as a result of resolutions pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(d), and subject to 28 U.S.C. § 527 (Note), be deposited for losses incurred into FHA's Capital Reserve Account, the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund (pursuant to 38 U.S.C. § 3722(c)(3), as being incident to housing loan operations) or as otherwise directed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and as directed by Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, in accordance with instructions from the United States. The United States intends that such deposits conform with the Miscellaneous Receipts Act and other law.
    - ii. The Federal Payment Settlement Amount includes resolution of the following qui tam actions: (i) \$75,000,000 from the claims in <u>United States ex rel. Lagow v. Countrywide Financial Corp., et al., Civil Action No. CV-09-2040 (E.D.N.Y.); (ii) \$45,000,000 from those claims in <u>United States ex rel. Bibby et al. v. JPMorgan Chase et al., No. 2:11-cv-00535-RHL-RJJ (N.D. Ga.) that are expressly released by the United States in this litigation; (iii) \$95,000,000 from those claims in <u>United States ex rel. Szymoniak v.</u></u></u>

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[SEALED], Civ No. 0:10-cv-01465 (D.S.C.) and in United States ex rel. Szymoniak v. [SEALED], Civ No. 3:10-cv-575 (W.D.N.C.) that are expressly released by the United States in this litigation; (iv) \$6,500,000 from the claims in <u>United States ex rel. Mackler v.</u> Bank of America, N.A., et al., 11-CV-3270 (SLT) (E.D.N.Y.); and (v) \$6,187,500 from the claims in United States ex rel. Harris v. J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., et al., Civil Action No. 10-10068-GAO (D. Mass). Following payment of any amounts owed as a result of resolutions pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(d), and subject to 28 U.S.C. § 527 (Note), these amounts shall be deposited into FHA's Capital Reserve Account and the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund (pursuant to 38 U.S.C. § 3722(c)(3), as being incident to housing loan operations) or as otherwise directed by the Department of Veterans Affairs, in accordance with instructions from the United States. The United States intends that such deposits conform with the Miscellaneous Receipts Act and other law.

- b. State Payment Settlement Amounts. In accordance with written instructions from each State Attorney General, the Escrow Agent shall distribute cash payments in the total amounts set forth in the attached Exhibit B-1.
  - i. Each State Attorney General shall designate the uses of the funds set forth in the attached Exhibit B-1. To the extent practicable, such funds shall be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the

foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, or unfair or deceptive acts or practices and to compensate the States for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, and civil penalties. Accordingly, each Attorney General has set forth general instructions for the funds in the attached Exhibit B-2.

- ii. No more than ten percent of the aggregate amount paid to the State Parties under this paragraph 1(b) may be designated as a civil penalty, fine, or similar payment. The remainder of the payments is intended to remediate the harms to the States and their communities resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendant and to facilitate the implementation of the Borrower Payment Fund and consumer relief.
- 2. Of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount, \$1,579,813,925.00 shall be distributed as follows:

- Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall make available \$1,489,813,925.00 to the Administrator to provide cash payments to borrowers whose homes were finally sold or taken in foreclosure between and including January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2011; who submit claims arising from the Covered Conduct; and who otherwise meet criteria set forth by the State members of the Monitoring Committee. Any amounts made available hereunder remain a part of the Qualified Settlement Fund until distributed to borrowers and shall be administered in accordance with the terms set forth in Exhibit C.
- b. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall distribute \$15,000,000.00 to the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) to create and administer the "Financial Services and Consumer Protection Enforcement, Education and Training Fund." Such Fund shall be used to pay for expenses and training relating to the investigation and prosecution of cases involving fraud, unfair and deceptive acts and practices, and other illegal conduct related to financial services or state consumer protection laws. Illustrative examples include, but are not limited to, travel costs associated with investigation, litigation, or settlement of financial services or consumer protection cases; expert witness and consulting fees, training programs, NAAG Consumer Protection Conferences, information

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exchanges, public education campaigns, and other uses. The State members of the Monitoring Committee shall develop rules and regulations governing the Financial Services and Consumer Protection Enforcement, Education and Training Fund in a separate memorandum of understanding after this Consent Judgment has been entered.

c. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall distribute a total of \$10,000,000.00 to the members of the Executive Committee and the Ameriquest Financial Services Fund ("AMFSF") for reimbursement of costs and attorneys fees incurred during the investigation of this case and the settlement negotiations and for subsequent expenditures as authorized by each Attorney General. Such payments shall be made as designated by the Iowa Attorney General as the Chairman of the Executive Committee, and shall be made to the State Attorneys General of Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas, and Washington and the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the Ameriquest Financial Services Fund. The authorized representatives of each state attorney general, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the AMFSF will provide a letter to the Escrow Agent directing how each separate payment should be made.

- d. In accordance with written instructions from the State members of the Monitoring Committee, the Escrow Agent shall distribute \$65,000,000.00 to the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS). CSBS shall use \$15,000,000 to establish the "State Financial Regulation Fund," a fund to be managed and used by CSBS to support and improve state financial regulation and supervision. From the balance, CSBS shall transfer \$1,000,000 per state to the state financial regulators who have signed this Consent Judgment. Where multiple agencies within a single state claim regulatory jurisdiction, CSBS shall transfer that state's funds as provided in an agreement between or among those regulatory agencies. In addition, state financial regulators may, at their discretion, enter into an agreement with CSBS for the management and disbursement of all or a portion of the funds paid to them. If, for any reason, a state financial regulator elects to forego receipt of their transfer payment or in the case of a participating state where the state financial regulator declines to sign this Consent Judgment, such funds shall revert to the State Financial Regulation Fund.
- 3. Any interest earned on funds held by the Escrow Agent may be used, at the discretion of the State members of the Monitoring Committee, to pay the costs and expenses of the escrow or the costs and expenses of administration, including taxes, or for any other housing related purpose.

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4. Notwithstanding any implication to the contrary in any of the provisions of Exhibit B-2, all instructions therein shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph 1.b(i) and 1.b(ii) of this Exhibit B. If and to the extent any amounts are paid into a fund or escrow account established by a State Party that is not an integral part of the government of such State, it is intended that such fund or account be deemed a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.468B-1 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. To the extent that any state designates any payments hereunder as a civil penalty, such state shall provide the Defendant(s), upon request, such information as is reasonably necessary for tax reporting purposes with respect to such civil penalty.

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STATE	DOLLAR ALLOCATION
AK	\$3,286,839
AL	\$25,305,692
AR	\$12,830,241
AZ	\$97,784,204
CA	\$410,576,996
СО	\$50,170,188
СТ	\$26,102,142
DC	\$4,433,081
DE	\$7,913,923
FL	\$334,073,974
GA	\$99,365,105
НІ	\$7,911,883
IA	\$14,651,922
ID	\$13,305,209
IL	\$105,806,405
IN	\$43,803,419
KS	\$13,778,401
KY	\$19,198,220
LA	\$21,741,560
MA	\$44,450,668
MD	\$59,697,470
ME	\$6,907,023
MI	\$97,209,465
MN	\$41,536,169
МО	\$39,583,212

STATE DOLLAR ALLOCATION	
MS	\$13,580,374
MT	\$4,858,276
NC	\$60,852,159
ND	\$1,947,666
NE	\$8,422,528
NH	\$9,575,447
NJ	\$72,110,727
NM	\$11,174,579
NV	\$57,368,430
NY	\$107,642,490
ОН	\$92,783,033
OR	\$29,253,190
PA	\$66,527,978
RI	\$8,500,755
SC	\$31,344,349
SD	\$2,886,824
TN	\$41,207,810
TX	\$134,628,489
UT	\$21,951,641
VA	\$66,525,233
VT	\$2,552,240
WA	\$54,242,749
WI	\$30,191,806
wv	\$5,748,915
WY	\$2,614,515

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## <u>ALABAMA</u>

The Court awards the State of Alabama a judgment in the amount of \$25,305,692, which shall be paid by electronic transfer to the Office of the Attorney General. Of this amount, the Court awards \$2,530,569 dollars in civil penalties (or 10% of the total) as defined by and in accordance with Code of Alabama, 1975, §8-19-11 for misconduct relating to the banks' robo-signing in violation of Alabama's Deceptive Trade Practices Act. The remaining amount shall be used by the Attorney General, at his sole discretion, for costs of investigation and litigation, for law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, and/or for public protection purposes, such as to defray the operating cost of any function of the Attorney General's Office that protects citizens, whether through investigation, representation, regulation, mediation, prosecution, victims' assistance, or consumer education concerning consumer-related financial or other crimes, or, at the sole discretion of the Attorney General, to be used for housing programs, housing counseling, legal assistance, foreclosure prevention hotlines, foreclosure mediation and investigation of financial fraud or other wrongdoing overseen by any division of the Attorney General's Office.

In addition, the Attorney General may distribute any amount from the funds, at his sole discretion, to other governmental entities or charitable organizations whose eleemosynary purposes benefit those affected by the aforementioned misconduct

## **ALASKA**

Alaska's payment of \$3,286,839.00 shall be to the State of Alaska and delivered to the Office of the Attorney General, 1031 West 4th Avenue, Suite 200, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

## <u>ARIZONA</u>

1. <u>State Payment Settlement Amounts, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 1(b)(i)</u>
Arizona's share of the State Payment Settlement Amounts ("Funds") provided under this Consent Judgment, and any interest thereon, shall be made payable to the Office of the Arizona Attorney General. The Attorney General shall direct the use of the Funds in Arizona. The Funds shall be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud, or unfair or deceptive acts or practices and to compensate the State for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to state homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, and civil penalties.

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The Attorney General shall deposit the Funds with the State Treasurer and the Funds shall be held in a separate Court Ordered Trust Fund account and all interest thereon deposited into that account and used only for the purposes set forth herein.

2. Executive Committee Payment, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 2(c) Any funds paid to the Office of the Arizona Attorney General as reimbursement for attorneys fees and costs for serving on the Executive Committee, and any interest thereon, shall be deposited into the consumer fraud revolving fund pursuant to A.R.S. § 44-1531.01 and used for the purposes set forth therein.

## **ARKANSAS**

For the payment to the State of Arkansas as provided in Paragraph III (3) of the Consent Judgment, and it accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1. (b) of Exhibit B to the Consent Judgment, Attorney General Dustin McDaniel directs that the total anticipated sum of Twelve Million, Eight Hundred Thirty Thousand, two hundred and forty-one dollars (\$12,830,241) be paid to the State of Arkansas Office of the Attorney General (and delivered to Carol Thompson, Chief Financial Officer) to then be distributed by the Attorney General to the following entities for the following purposes:

- 1. To the Arkansas Development Finance Authority to fund programs that provide to Arkansas residents down payment assistance, financial literacy and mortgage and foreclosure counseling ,tax credit assistance, rental assistance, low-interest financing, land acquisition, new construction, rehabilitation construction, and reconstruction, the sum of Nine Million dollars (\$9,000,000.00);
- 2. To the Arkansas Access to Justice Commission to provide equal access to justice to Arkansas residents affected by the mortgage and foreclosure crisis, the sum of Two Million dollars (\$2,000,000.00);
- 3. To the University of Arkansas School of Law to support its legal aid clinic, which provides legal representation to low-income Arkansans, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$500,000.00);
- 4. To the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law to support its legal aid clinic, which provides legal representation to low-income Arkansans, the sum of Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$500,000.00);

And, to the Arkansas Treasury the remaining funds for fees, costs, and the costs of investigation and pursuit of this matter, the sum of Eight Hundred Thirty Thousand, two hundred and forty-one dollars (\$830,241.00).

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## **CALIFORNIA**

The payment to the California Attorney General's Office shall be used as follows:

- a) Ten percent of the payment shall be paid as a civil penalty and deposited in the Unfair Competition Law Fund;
- b) The remainder shall be paid and deposited into a Special Deposit Fund created for the following purposes: for the administration of the terms of this Consent Judgment; monitoring compliance with the terms of this Consent Judgment and enforcing the terms of this Consent Judgment; assisting in the implementation of the relief programs and servicing standards as described in this Consent Judgment; supporting the Attorney General's continuing investigation into misconduct in the origination, servicing, and securitization of residential mortgage loans; to fund consumer fraud education, investigation, enforcement operations, litigation, public protection and/or local consumer aid; to provide borrower relief; to fund grant programs to assist housing counselors or other legal aid agencies that represent homeowners, former homeowners, or renters in housing-related matters; to fund other matters, including grant programs, for the benefit of California homeowners affected by the mortgage/foreclosure crisis; or to engage and pay for third parties to develop or administer any of the programs or efforts described above.

## **COLORADO**

- 1. <u>State Payment Settlement Amounts, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 1(b)(i)</u> The first \$1.0 Million paid to the State of Colorado pursuant to Ex. B, ¶ 1(b)(i), and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General and used for future consumer protection and antitrust enforcement and education efforts. The remainder of the funds paid under this provision, and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General and used for programs relating to foreclosure prevention, loan modification and housing and for future consumer protection and antitrust enforcement and education efforts.
- 2. Executive Committee Payment, Consent Judgment Ex. B, Paragraph 2(c) The funds paid to the State of Colorado under Ex. B, ¶ 2(c), and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General for the following purposes. First, these funds, and any interest thereon, shall be used for reimbursement of the state's actual costs and attorney fees incurred in this matter. The remaining funds, and any interest thereon, shall be held in trust by the Colorado Attorney General and may be used for programs related to foreclosure prevention, loan modification and housing and for future consumer protection and antitrust enforcement and education efforts.

## **CONNECTICUT**

The Escrow Agent shall pay up to \$2.2 million of the Direct Payment Settlement Amount payable to the State of Connecticut pursuant to paragraph 1(b) of Exhibit B of this

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Consent Judgment to provide immediate assistance to Connecticut residents seeking to avoid foreclosure by funding housing counselor positions through the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority and/or the Department of Economic and Community Development and by funding positions and other support to facilitate and expand the Judicial Branch's foreclosure related programs. All of the remaining Direct Payment Settlement Amount payable to the State of Connecticut pursuant to paragraph 1(b) of Exhibit B of this Consent Judgment shall be disbursed at the written instruction of the Office of the Attorney General after consultation by the Office of the Attorney General with the Office of Policy and Management and appropriate officials of the State of Connecticut as may be required by Connecticut law.

The Escrow Agent shall pay any Direct Payment Settlement Amount payable to the Office of the Attorney General pursuant to paragraph 2(c) of Exhibit B of this Consent Judgment to the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Fund, which funds shall be expended to fund protection and education of consumers, including, without limitation, legal assistance to Connecticut citizens seeking to avoid foreclosure, grants to non-profit legal aid organizations assisting Connecticut citizens seeking to avoid foreclosure, funding to support implementation of this Consent Judgment by the Office of the Attorney General, and for any other purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures and to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis.

## **DELAWARE**

The amount of \$7,913,923.00 will be paid to the Delaware Department of Justice by wire transfer or certified check payable to the "State of Delaware – Consumer Protection Fund", which shall be used in the sole discretion of the Delaware Department of Justice exclusively for the following purposes related to consumer protection efforts to address the mortgage and foreclosure crisis, financial fraud and deception, and housing-related conduct: (1) investigations, enforcement operations, litigation, and other initiatives conducted or overseen by the Delaware Department of Justice Fraud Division, including training and staffing, (2) the Delaware Automatic Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Program or any successor program, and (3) grants or other aid to agencies and organizations approved by the Delaware Department of Justice for consumer assistance, consumer education, credit and housing counseling, mediation programs, legal assistance, training, or staffing. If the payment is made by certified check, it shall be delivered to:

Delaware Department of Justice Fraud Division, Consumer Protection Unit 820 N. French Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801 ATTN: Ian R. McConnel, Division Chief

## DISTRICT of COLUMBIA

The payment for the District of Columbia shall be paid to the "D.C. Treasurer" in accordance with instructions provided by the Office of the Attorney General for the

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District of Columbia. The payment shall be used by the District of Columbia Government, subject to appropriation, for one or more of the following purposes: (1) mortgage-related or foreclosure-related counseling, (2) mortgage-related or foreclosure-related legal assistance or advocacy, (3) mortgage-related or foreclosure-related mediation, (4) outreach and/or assistance to help current and former homeowners secure the benefits for which they are eligible under mortgage-related or foreclosure-related settlements or judgments, (5) enforcement work in the area of financial fraud or consumer protection.

## **FLORIDA**

Of the payment identified in Exhibit B-1 that Defendants are making to settle this matter with the Attorney General, State of Florida, Department of Legal Affairs, 10% is to be paid to the State of Florida as a penalty; the remainder shall be held in escrow by the escrow agent for subsequent disbursement as directed in writing by the Florida Attorney General for purposes consistent with Exhibit B, paragraph 1b(i) of this consent judgment

## **GEORGIA**

The State Settlement Payment Amount to Georgia shall be paid to the state treasury to the credit of the general fund and shall be available for appropriation by the General Assembly for any purpose permitted by state law, including, to the extent practicable but not limited to, those purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair or deceptive acts or practices, or to compensate Georgia for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendants.

### <u>HAWAII</u>

The monies are to be held in trust for the benefit of homeowners and others in the State of Hawaii who are, have been, or may be affected by mortgage loan proceedings. This includes, but is not limited to, those who have been subject to foreclosure, are in foreclosure, are at risk of foreclosure, have delinquent mortgage loan payments, have negative equity in their homes, have lost their homes due to foreclosure, have been unable to refinance their mortgage loans, or are leasing a dwelling affected by foreclosure. The monies shall be used for housing and financial counseling, public education, mediation, dispute resolution, and enforcement of laws and agreements protecting the rights of homeowners and lessees. The monies shall be used only for these purposes. The monies shall be deposited into an administrative trust account to be administered by the Attorney General of the State of Hawaii, who as custodian shall have sole discretion to make determinations as to the amounts and the purposes for which the monies are to be expended.

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## **IDAHO**

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 48-606(5), the money paid to the State of Idaho, as identified in Exhibit B-1 of the Consent Judgment, shall be remitted to the consumer protection fund.

## **ILLINOIS**

The funds allocated to the Attorney General of Illinois shall be expended, in the sole discretion of the Attorney General, primarily for programs to avoid foreclosure and ameliorate the effects on homeowners of the foreclosure crisis, including without limitation, the funding of: legal assistance, housing counseling, administrative oversight for the funded programs by the Attorney General or others; to support law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud or unfair and deceptive acts or practices; and for such other purposes as directed by the Attorney General.

## **INDIANA**

Pursuant to the terms of the Consent Judgment entered into between the (a) United States of America and the State Parties; and (b) the Defendants, the State of Indiana will accept and use its cash payments identified in Exhibit B-1 as follows:

- 1. The cash payment shall be made to the Office of the Indiana Attorney General.
- 2. A portion of the cash payment will be used for existing and new programs of the Attorney General, including but not limited to:
  - a. Consumer protection services and unfair and deceptive acts and practices investigations, enforcement, litigation, training, outreach, education, and related purposes.
  - b. Homeowner protection services, investigations, enforcement, litigation, training, outreach, education, and related purposes regarding mortgage lending and foreclosures.
  - c. Financial fraud protection services, investigations, enforcement, litigation, training, outreach, education, and related purposes.
  - d. Education and training of counselors, facilitators, attorneys, investigators, and other stakeholders regarding the terms of the settlement.
- 3. To carry out the purposes of paragraph two (2), funds may be deposited in the following fund accounts and other related fund accounts as necessary:
  - a. Homeowner Protection Unit Fund
  - b. Consumer Fees and Settlements Fund

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- c. Identity Theft Unit Fund
- d. Real Estate Appraiser Licensing Fund
- Telephone Solicitation Fund
- f. Consumer Assistance Program Fund
- A portion of the cash payment will be used for a combination of existing and new 4. programs created or administered by the Indiana General Assembly and state executive branch agencies, including but not limited to:
  - a. Housing counseling, foreclosure prevention, legal assistance, foreclosure mediation, victim assistance, and related purposes.
  - b. Settlement conferences, court facilitator services, and related purposes.
  - c. Land banks and related purposes.
  - d. Homeowner and renter energy assistance programs such as the Lower Income Hoosier Energy Assistance Program, with priority given to homeowners.
  - e. Workforce and job training programs to assist unemployed and underemployed state residents in increasing income to avoid foreclosure and obtain affordable housing.
  - f. Neighborhood stabilization programs and community blight remediation
  - g. Law enforcement efforts and programs to prevent and address financial, consumer, mortgage lending, and mortgage foreclosure fraud.
  - h. Foreclosure prevention and assistance programs for military service members and veterans.
- The Attorney General may allocate and designate up to ten percent of the cash payment as a civil penalty or fine.
- The Attorney General shall allocate the cash payment among the identified purposes at his discretion based on the terms of the settlement.

### **IOWA**

The Escrow Agent shall distribute the funds according to written direction received from the Attorney General of Iowa. The payment shall be used, at the sole discretion of the

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Attorney General of Iowa, for any use permitted by law or this Consent Judgment, including but not limited to:

- 1) Purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures, to ameliorate the effects of the foreclosure crisis, to enhance law enforcement efforts to prevent and prosecute financial fraud and unfair or deceptive acts or practices, and to compensate the State of Iowa for costs resulting from the alleged unlawful conduct of the Defendant. Such permissible purposes for allocation of the funds further include, but are not limited to, supplementing the amounts paid to homeowners under the Borrower Payment Fund, funding for housing counselors, state and local foreclosure assistance hotlines, state and local foreclosure mediation programs, legal assistance, housing remediation and anti-blight projects, funding for training and staffing of financial fraud or consumer protection enforcement efforts, and civil penalties.
- 2) Investigative and administrative costs in connection with the matters addressed herein, including costs incurred before and after the signing of this Consent Judgment.
- 3) Public education relating to consumer fraud, mortgage, housing and financial issues and for enforcement of Iowa Code section 714.16, as referenced in Iowa Code section 714.16A.
- 4) Any other lawful purpose.

## **KANSAS**

The Kansas Attorney General shall dedicate not less than 25 percent of any cash payment to the State of Kansas for the following purposes: 1) supporting the Attorney General's ongoing investigation and prosecution of suppliers in the housing and financial sectors who violate the law; 2) resolving consumer complaints filed with the Attorney General to prevent foreclosures and remedy mortgage servicing abuses suffered by Kansas consumers; and 3) defraying the investigative, administrative and consumer education costs associated with this settlement, including but not limited to the dedication of additional staff to monitor compliance with its terms. The remainder of any cash payment to the State of Kansas that is not dedicated to the above purposes shall be designated as a civil penalty and shall be deposited to the State General Fund for appropriation by the Legislature

#### **KENTUCKY**

The Office of the Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Kentucky (hereinafter, the "Attorney General" and "the Commonwealth," respectively) shall direct the payment of \$19,198,220 to the Commonwealth in a manner consistent with the terms of the Consent Judgment to which this Exhibit B-2 refers, such that any funds distributed by the Attorney General shall be used for purposes intended to avoid preventable foreclosures,

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